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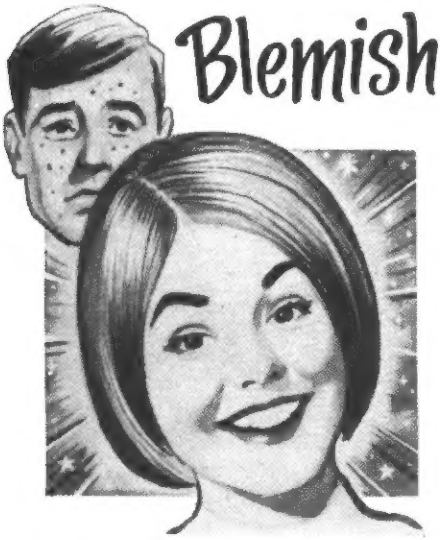

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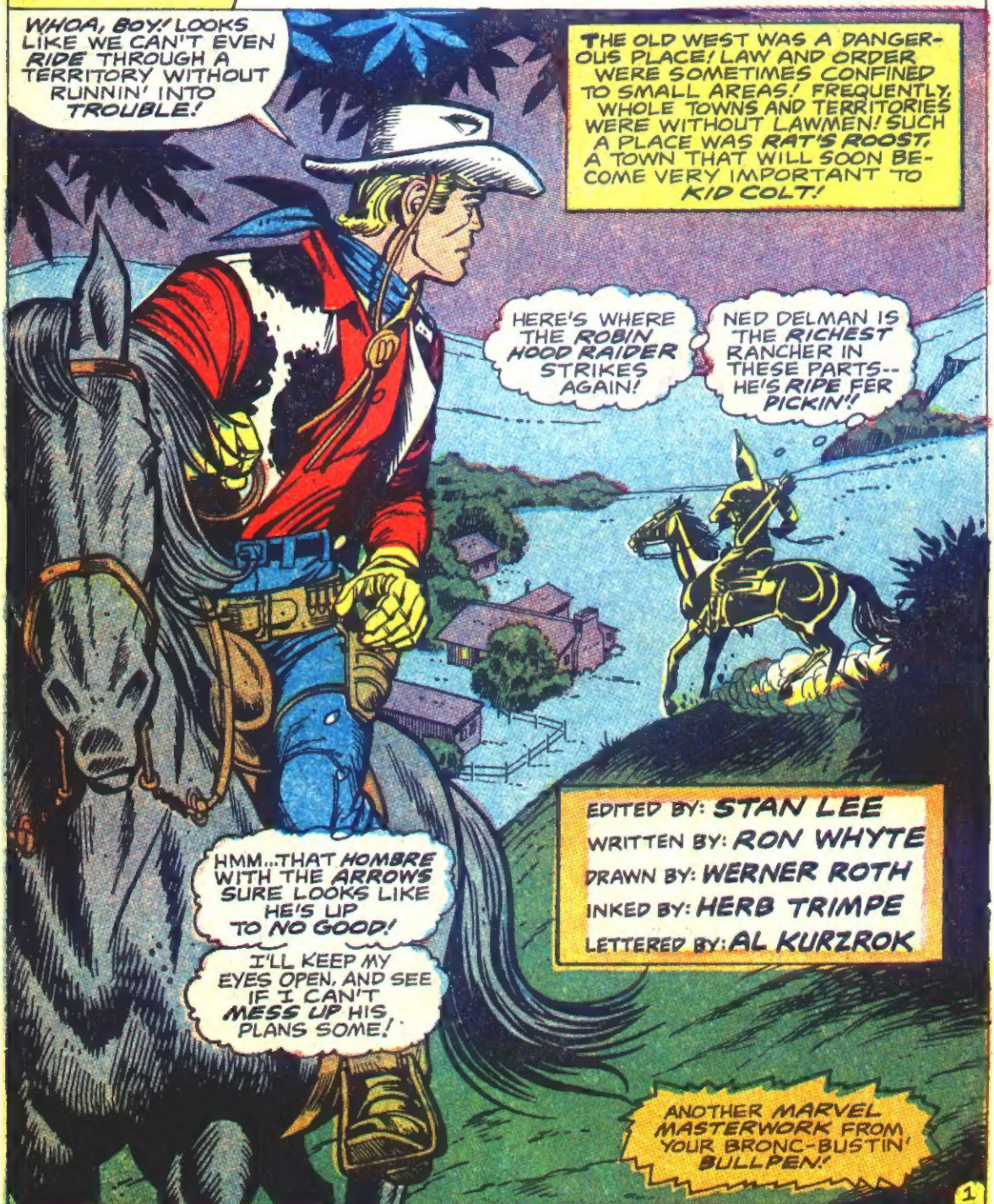
WHOA, BOY! LOOKS LIKE WE CAN'T EVEN RIDE THROUGH A TERRITORY WITHOUT RUNNIN' INTO TROUBLE!
THE OLD WEST WAS A DANGEROUS PLACE! LAW AND ORDER WERE SOMETIMES CONFINED TO SMALL AREAS! FREQUENTLY, WHOLE TOWNS AND TERRITORIES WERE WITHOUT LAWMEN! SUCH A PLACE WAS RAT'S ROOST, A TOWN THAT WILL SOON BECOME VERY IMPORTANT TO KID COLT!
HERE'S WHERE THE ROBIN HOOD RAIDER STRIKES AGAIN!
NED DELMAN IS THE RICHEST RANCHER IN THESE PARTS--HE'S RIPE FER PICKIN'!
HMM...THAT HOMBRE WITH THE ARROWS SURE LOOKS LIKE HE'S UP TO NO GOOD!
I'LL KEEP MY EYES OPEN, AND SEE IF I CAN'T MESS UP HIS PLANS SOME!
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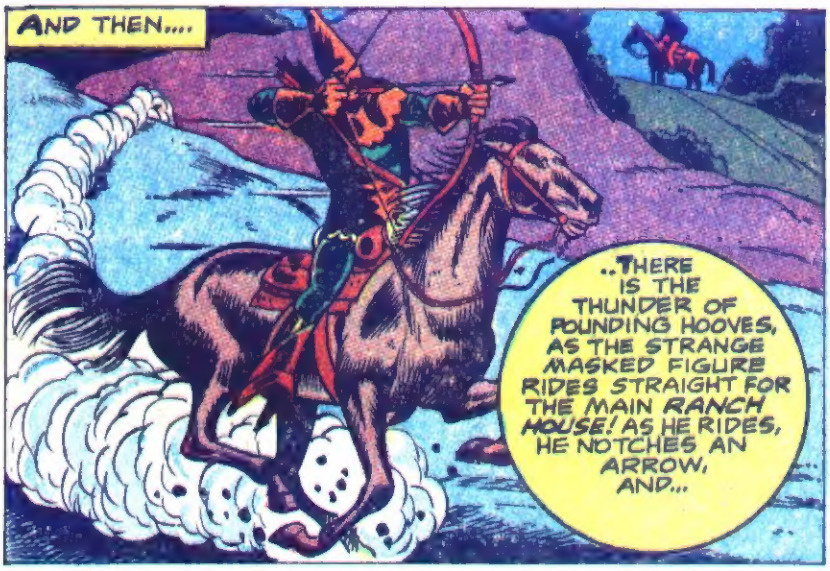
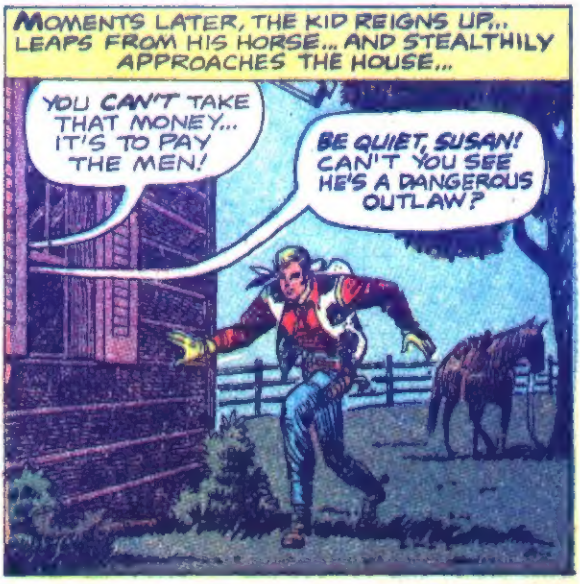
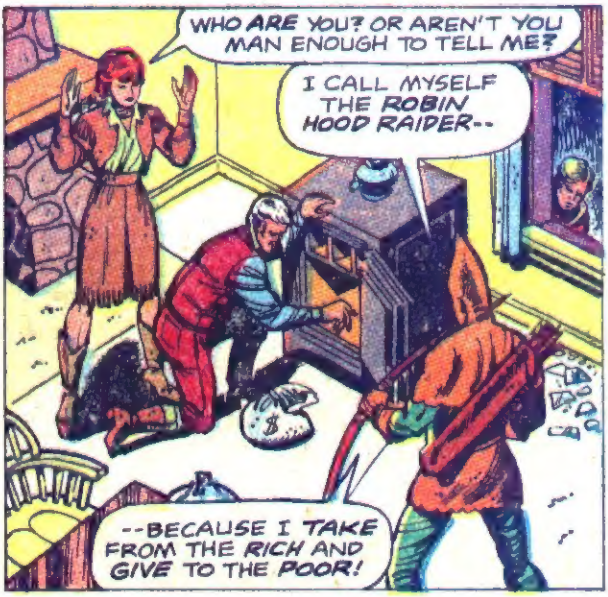

AND THEN....
..THERE IS THE THUNDER OF POUNDING HOOVES, AS THE STRANGE MASKED FIGURE RIDES STRAIGHT FOR THE MAIN RANCH HOUSE! AS HE RIDES, HE NOTCHES AN ARROW, AND...

...THE QUIET NIGHT IS RENT BY THE TWANG OF A BOW STRING, AND THE WHISTLE OF AN ARROW SPEEDING TOWARDS ITS GOAL!
DAD, LOOK OUT!
CRASH!

THEN, THE KID, CERTAIN THAT DIRTY WORK IS AFOOT, DECIDES TO INTERFERE...
THAT MASKED HOMBRE IS CRAWLIN' IN THAT WINDOW! I GUESS I STOOD BY LONG ENOUGH!
RIDE, BOY, RIDE!


MOMENTS LATER, THE KID REIGNS UP... LEAPS FROM HIS HORSE... AND STEALTHILY APPROACHES THE HOUSE...
YOU CAN'T TAKE THAT MONEY... IT'S TO PAY THE MEN!
BE QUIET, SUSAN! CAN'T YOU SEE HE'S A DANGEROUS OUTLAW?


WHO ARE YOU? OR AREN'T YOU MAN ENOUGH TO TELL ME?
I CALL MYSELF THE ROBIN HOOD RAIDER--
--BECAUSE I TAKE FROM THE RICH AND GIVE TO THE POOR!

YEP, I KNOW SOME FOLKS'LL BE MIGHTY HAPPY TO HAVE SOME OF THIS CASH!
NOW, I'D TAKE IT RIGHT KINDLY IF YOU DIDN'T TRY TO FOLLOW ME!
I MIGHT BE FORCED TO KILL SOMEBODY!

BUT, MUCH TO HIS SURPRISE, THE RAIDER STEPS BACK INTO THE GRIP OF KID COLT!
WHA--!
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOIN', HOMBRE!?
YET, WITH A SUDDEN SURGE OF STRENGTH, THE RAIDER BREAKS FREE FROM THE KID'S IRON GRASP....
YUH GOT A GOOD GRIP, BUT NOT GOOD ENOUGH!
SOMEBODY'S FIGHTING THE RAIDER!
I'LL GIT THE RAIDER WITH THIS POKER--
THEN, AS THE OLD MAN SWINGS WITH ALL HIS MIGHT, THE RAIDER, SOMEHOW SENSING THE ATTACK, DUCKS ASIDE...
WHAP!
UHHHHH!
IN THE CONFUSION, THE RAIDER LEAPS ASTRIDE HIS HORSE AND RIDES OFF...
THANKS FOR THE LOOT, YOU FOOLS!
LOOKS LIKE I'VE KNOCKED THIS POOR LAD UNCONSCIOUS!
LATER, IN THE BEDROOM OF THE RANCH HOUSE, SUSAN DELMAN TENDS TO THE KID'S WOUND....
DAD, HE'S BEGINNING TO COME OUT OF IT!
I WAS SO AFRAID FOR A WHILE....
OHHHHH....
MY HEAD FEELS LIKE A WATERMELON! WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT VARMINT I WAS FIGHTIN'?
I HIT YUH BY MISTAKE-- MIGHTY SORRY! AND THE RAIDER ESCAPED!
I'VE SENT FOR THE SHERIFF!
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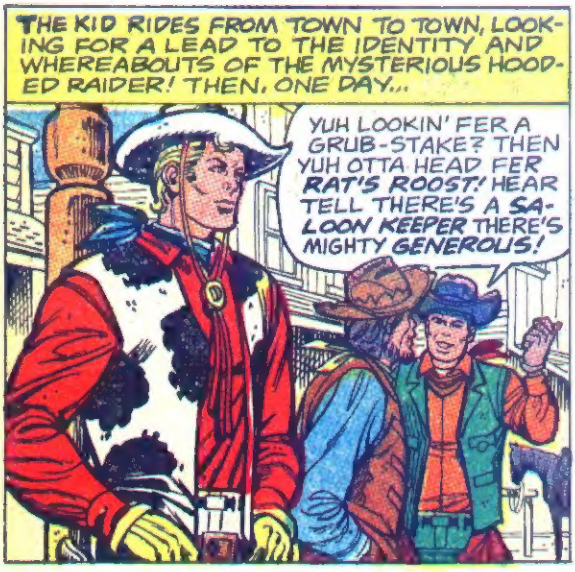
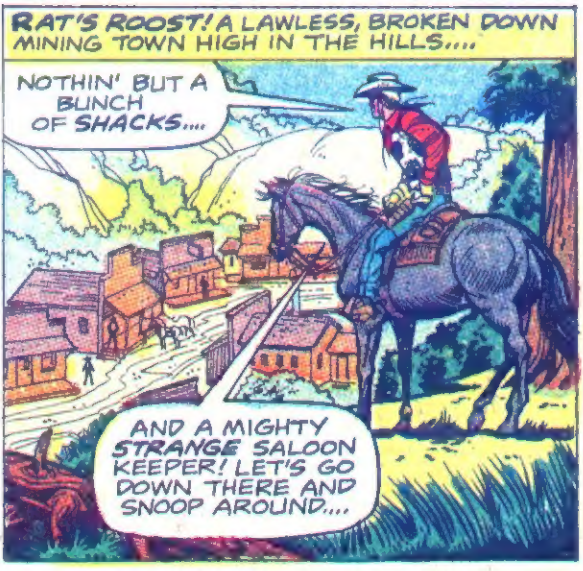
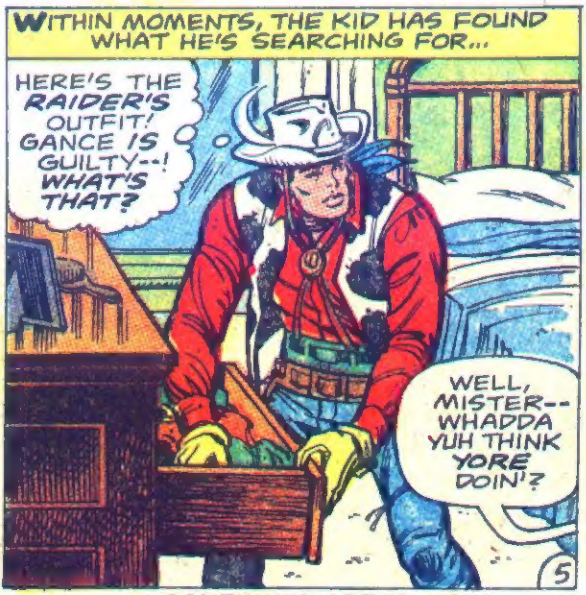
A FEW MINUTES LATER, SUSAN DELMAN IS BUSY SERVING THE KID COFFEE...
HAVE SOME MORE COFFEE! IT'LL DO YOU GOOD!
MANY THANKS, MA'AM!
I'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THAT SHERIFF SHOWS UP,,
MOMENTS LATER....
WHAT'S GOING ON OUT HERE! YOU BEEN ROBBED?
OH-OH, HERE COMES TROUBLE...
IF THE SHERIFF RECOGNIZES ME, I MAY HAVE TO RUN FOR IT! I'M WANTED IN THIS TERRITORY!
KID COLT! PUT UP YORE HANDS!
THEN, HIS MUSCLES HONED TO A RAZOR-SHARP KEENNESS, KID COLT LEAPS UP FAST AS A PUMA...
;UHHHH--!
KLUNK!
IN AN INSTANT, THE KID DIVES THROUGH A WINDOW...
I'VE GOTTA BE FREE...
...TO CAPTURE THE RAIDER!
HE'S GETTIN' AWAY!
THAT WAS KID COLT! HE'S A WANTED OUTLAW IN THIS TERRITORY! HE'S PROBABLY IN CAHOOTS WITH THE RAIDERS!
OH, I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT!


THE KID RIDES FROM TOWN TO TOWN, LOOKING FOR A LEAD TO THE IDENTITY AND WHEREABOUTS OF THE MYSTERIOUS HOODED RAIDER! THEN, ONE DAY...
YUH LOOKIN' FER A GRUB-STAKE? THEN YUH OTTA HEAD FER RAT'S ROOST! HEAR TELL THERE'S A SALOON KEEPER THERE'S MIGHTY GENEROUS!


RAT'S ROOST! A LAWLESS, BROKEN DOWN MINING TOWN HIGH IN THE HILLS....
NOTHIN' BUT A BUNCH OF SHACKS....
AND A MIGHTY STRANGE SALOON KEEPER! LET'S GO DOWN THERE AND SNOOP AROUND....

GANCE'S SALOON! THE KID HAS A BITE TO EAT, AND KEEPS HIS EYES AND EARS OPEN...
GANCE IS GRUB STAKING THOSE MINERS WITHOUT ANY QUESTIONS AT ALL!
THE QUESTION IS-- WHY??

AND, WAITING HIS CHANCE, THE KID SLIPS UPSTAIRS FOR A LITTLE INVESTIGATING.....
GANCE COULD BE BUYING GOODWILL AND PROTECTION FROM THESE POOR TOWNSPEOPLE....
ONE OF THESE DOOR'S MUST LEAD TO GANCE'S BEDROOM...


WITHIN MOMENTS, THE KID HAS FOUND WHAT HE'S SEARCHING FOR...
HERE'S THE RAIDER'S OUTFIT! GANCE IS GUILTY--! WHAT'S THAT?
WELL, MISTER-- WHADDA YUH THINK YORE DOIN'?
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AND I AIM TO TURN YOU OVER TO THE SHERIFF!
I DIDN'T COMMIT NO ROBBERIES IN THIS TERRITORY...
AND THIS TOWN DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A SHERIFF!
IF YUH WANTA SEE HOW SAFE I AM, C'MON DOWNSTAIRS....
AN' TELL SOME OF THE LOCAL FOLKS WHAT YUH AIM T'DO!
THIS FELLA SAYS I'M THE RAIDER, N' HE'S GONNA TURN ME IN!
SHURE, YORE THE RAIDER --EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT!
BUT YORE ALRIGHT WITH US, GANCE!
LET'S RUN THE STRANGER OUTTA TOWN!
ONCE AGAIN, THE KID IS IN A CORNER! ONCE AGAIN, HE MOVES WITH THE SPEED OF GREASED LIGHTNING!
GOTTA CLEAR OUTTA HERE... AND FAST!
CRASH!
THOSE BOYS MEAN BUSINESS!
AND, IT IS THE WORK OF AN INSTANT FOR THE KID TO LEAP ONTO HIS HORSE AND....
I BET THAT'S THE HOMBRE THAT JUMPED ME THE OTHER NIGHT...! I'M SHORE NOT GONNA LET HIM SURPRISE ME AGAIN!
BLAM!

LATER THAT DAY, AT THE DELMAN SPREAD....
SUSAN DELMAN IS THE ONLY PERSON I CAN TRUST! IF SHE'LL LOAN ME SOME OF HER HIRED HANDS... I THINK I CAN CAPTURE THIS RAIDER!
AND, AS SUSAN ENTERS THE BARN...
HOWDY, MISS SUSAN!
YOU! THAT WAS SURE SOME EXIT YOU MADE THE OTHER NIGHT!
HAVE YOU COME BACK TO ROB US THIS TIME?
AT FIRST, SUSAN IS ANGRY AND DISTRUSTFUL..BUT THE KID IS A PERSUASIVE TALKER...
...SO WHAT I NEED IS A LITTLE ASSISTANCE FROM YOUR MEN!
ALRIGHT, YOU CAN HAVE SOME MEN... BUT ONLY IF I CAN COME ALONG!
AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME--I CAN HANDLE A GUN!
THE KID WAITS ON THE HILL, AND SOON...
I TALKED DAD INTO GIVING ME SOME MEN!
THAT GAL SURE HAS SPUNK!
THEN, RIDING TO A SPOT OVERLOOKING RAT'S ROOST, THE KID STOPS TO EXPLAIN HIS PLAN! BUT, BEHIND A BOULDER, ONE OF GANCE'S MEN FLASHES A MIRROR SIGNAL....
THOSE MUST BE THE ONES GANCE IS WAITIN' FER! I'LL SIGNAL!
GANCE SIGNALLED BACK! I GUESS THOSE STRANGERS ARE GONNA GET A JOLT!
AN ARROW ZINGS THROUGH THE AIR, NARROWLY MISSING THE KID!
THEY'VE SPOTTED US!
GET DOWN BEHIND THOSE ROCKS!
THWACK!
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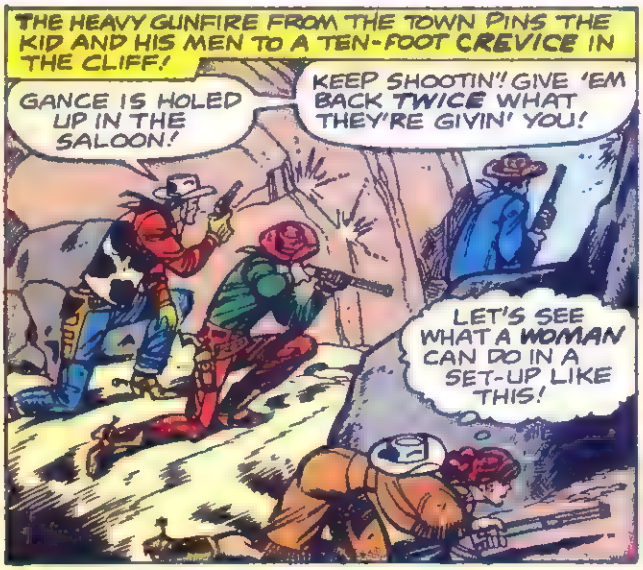
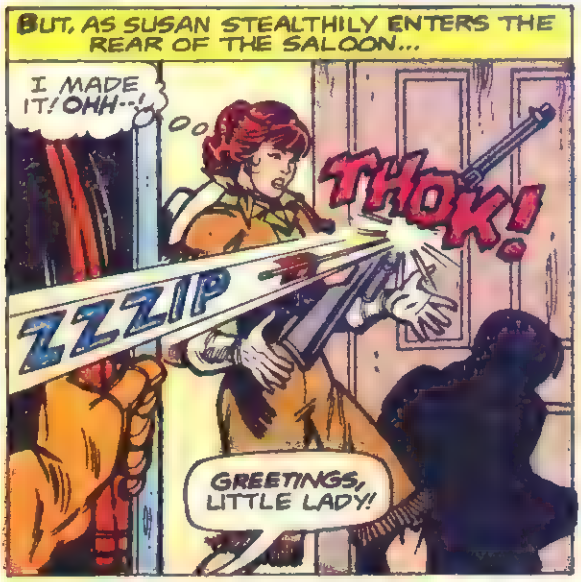

THE HEAVY GUNFIRE FROM THE TOWN PINS THE KID AND HIS MEN TO A TEN-FOOT CREVICE IN THE CLIFF!
GANCE IS HOLED UP IN THE SALOON!
KEEP SHOOTIN'! GIVE 'EM BACK TWICE WHAT THEY'RE GIVIN' YOU!
LET'S SEE WHAT A WOMAN CAN DO IN A SET-UP LIKE THIS!

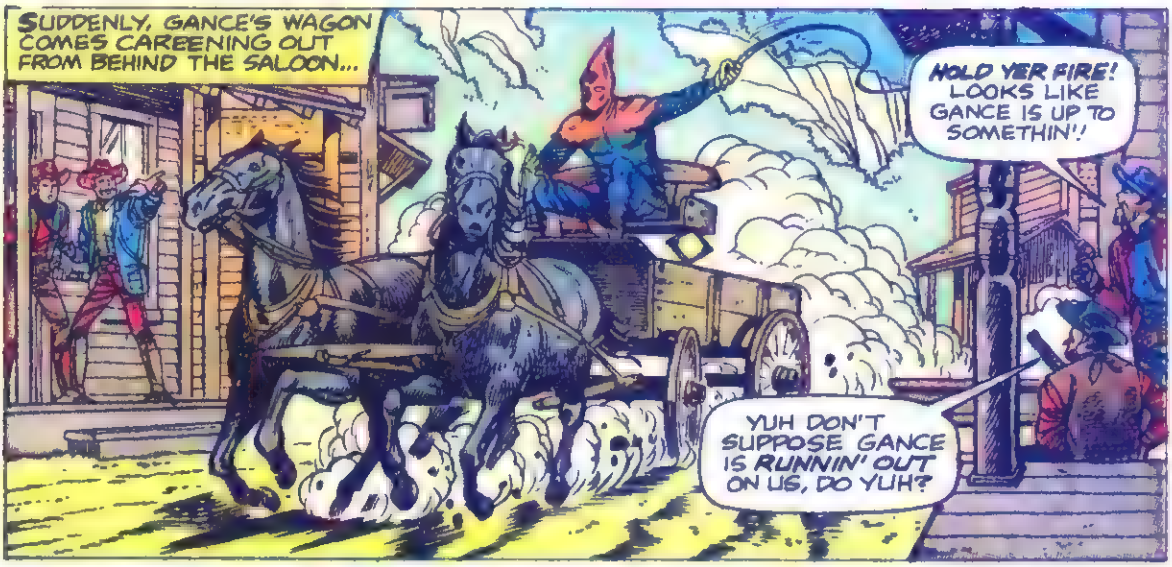
AND, KEEPING CLOSE TO THE ROCKS, SUSAN FINALLY COMES AROUND BEHIND THE SALOON...
SEEMS LIKE THEY'RE STILL FIRING OUT FRONT!
IF I CAN JUST MAKE IT TO THAT BACK DOOR....

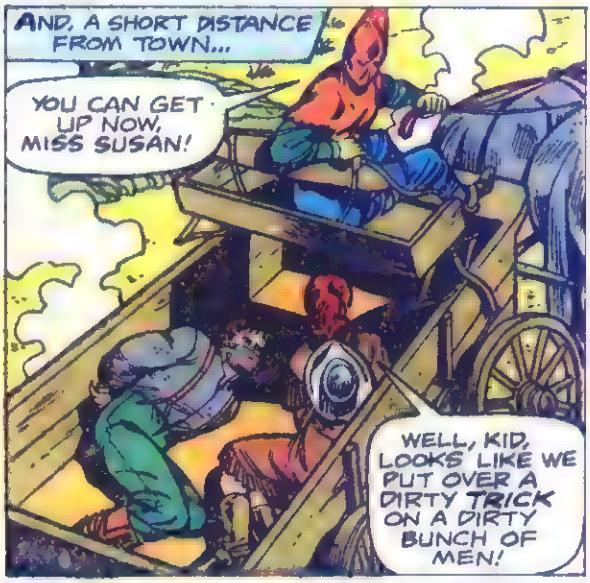

BUT, AS SUSAN STEALTHILY ENTERS THE REAR OF THE SALOON...
I MADE IT! OHH--!
THOK!
ZZZIP
GREETINGS, LITTLE LADY!

NOW AIN'T THIS NICE! THEY CAN STOP ME NOW--
--IF THEY WANT TO PUT A BULLET THROUGH YOU! HAR HAR!
THINK AGAIN RAIDER!

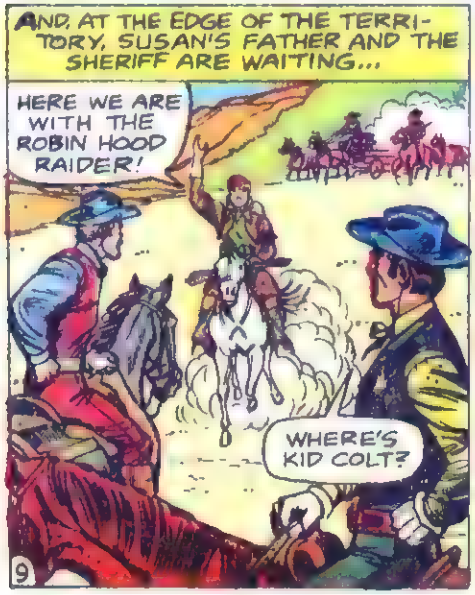
THE NEXT SECOND, SUDDENLY...
POW!
I'VE BEEN SAVIN' THIS PUNCH FOR A LONG TIME!
KID! THANK HEAVEN!!

HE'S OUT COLD! LET'S GET HIM OUT OF HERE!
BUT HOW? WE CAN'T CARRY HIM UP THE CLIFF! THEY'LL SEE US!

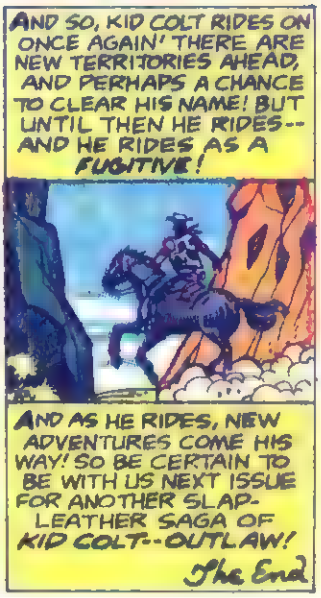

SUDDENLY, GANCE'S WAGON COMES CAREENING OUT FROM BEHIND THE SALOON...
HOLD YER FIRE! LOOKS LIKE GANCE IS UP TO SOMETHIN'!
YUH DON'T SUPPOSE GANCE IS RUNNIN' OUT ON US, DO YUH?


AND, A SHORT DISTANCE FROM TOWN...
YOU CAN GET UP NOW, MISS SUSAN!
WELL, KID, LOOKS LIKE WE PUT OVER A DIRTY TRICK ON A DIRTY BUNCH OF MEN!

YEP! NOW ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS TAKE THIS COYOTE ACROSS THE TERRITORY LINE AND PUT HIM IN A CAGE!


AND, AT THE EDGE OF THE TERRITORY, SUSAN'S FATHER AND THE SHERIFF ARE WAITING...
HERE WE ARE WITH THE ROBIN HOOD RAIDER!
WHERE'S KID COLT?

THE KID? HE RODE OFF, A WHILE AGO! BUT HE SAID TO TAKE THE RAIDER WITH HIS BEST REGARDS!


AND SO, KID COLT RIDES ON ONCE AGAIN! THERE ARE NEW TERRITORIES AHEAD, AND PERHAPS A CHANCE TO CLEAR HIS NAME! BUT UNTIL THEN HE RIDES--AND HE RIDES AS A FUGITIVE!
AND AS HE RIDES, NEW ADVENTURES COME HIS WAY! SO BE CERTAIN TO BE WITH US NEXT ISSUE FOR ANOTHER SLAP-LEATHER SAGA OF KID COLT--OUTLAW!
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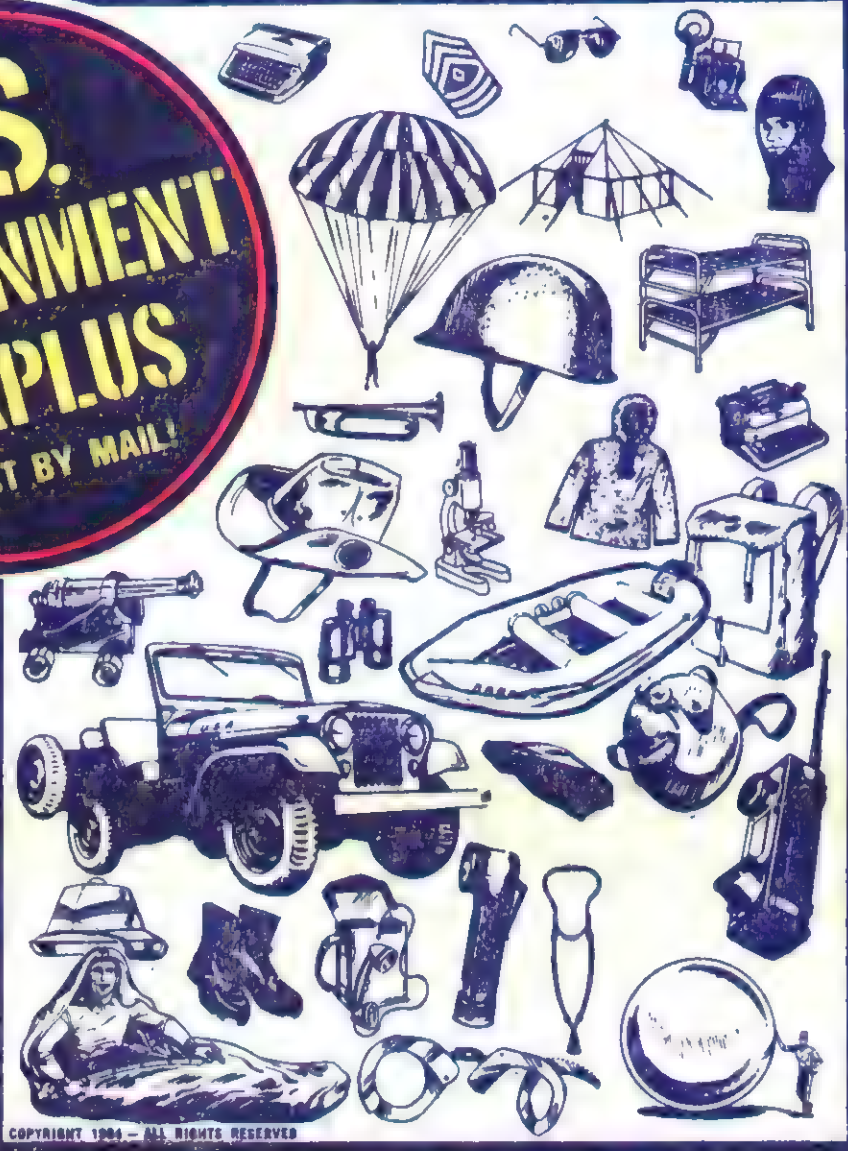

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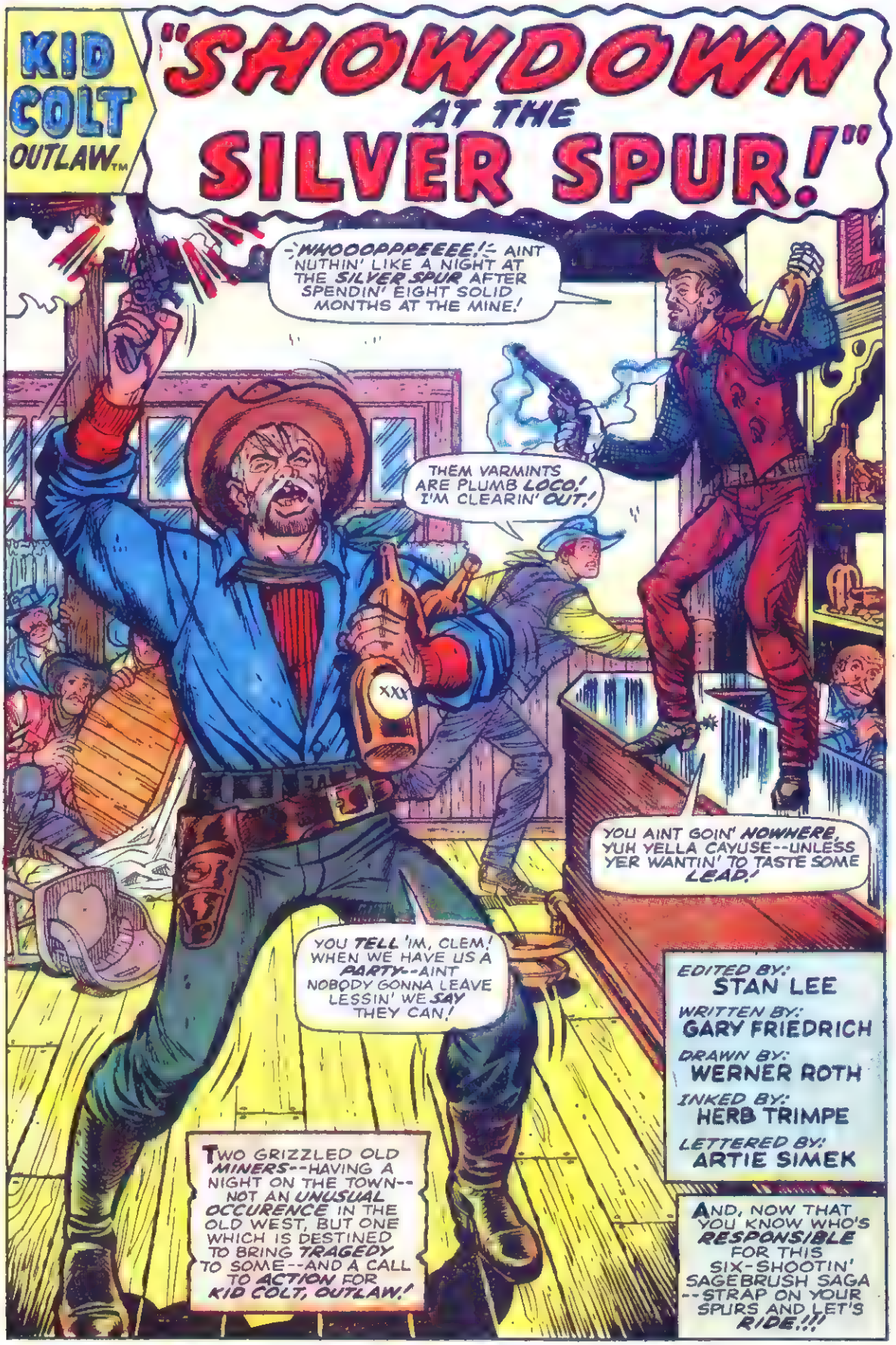
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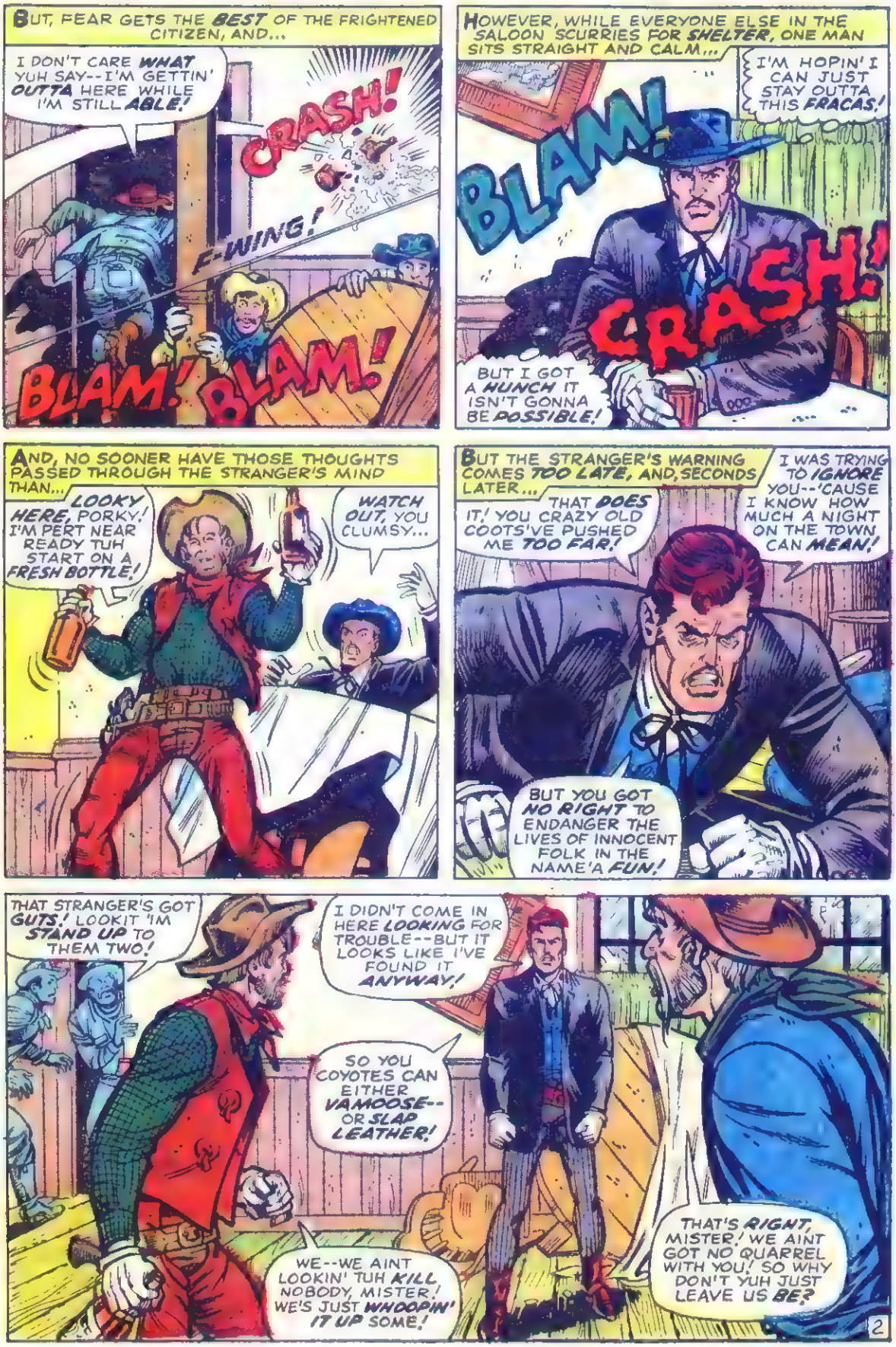
BUT, FEAR GETS THE BEST OF THE FRIGHTENED CITIZEN, AND...
I DON'T CARE WHAT YUH SAY--I'M GETTIN' OUTTA HERE WHILE I'M STILL ABLE!
CRASH!
F-WING!
BLAM!
BLAM!
HOWEVER, WHILE EVERYONE ELSE IN THE SALOON SCURRIES FOR SHELTER, ONE MAN SITS STRAIGHT AND CALM...
I'M HOPIN' I CAN JUST STAY OUTTA THIS FRACAS!
BLAM!
CRASH!
BUT I GOT A HUNCH IT ISN'T GONNA BE POSSIBLE!
AND, NO SOONER HAVE THOSE THOUGHTS PASSED THROUGH THE STRANGER'S MIND THAN...
LOOKY HERE, PORKY! I'M PERT NEAR READY TUH START ON A FRESH BOTTLE!
WATCH OUT, YOU CLUMSY...
BUT THE STRANGER'S WARNING COMES TOO LATE, AND, SECONDS LATER...
THAT DOES IT! YOU CRAZY OLD COOTS'VE PUSHED ME TOO FAR!
I WAS TRYING TO IGNORE YOU--'CAUSE I KNOW HOW MUCH A NIGHT ON THE TOWN CAN MEAN!
BUT YOU GOT NO RIGHT TO ENDANGER THE LIVES OF INNOCENT FOLK IN THE NAME'A FUN!
THAT STRANGER'S GOT GUTS! LOOKIT 'IM STAND UP TO THEM TWO!
I DIDN'T COME IN HERE LOOKING FOR TROUBLE--BUT IT LOOKS LIKE I'VE FOUND IT ANYWAY!
SO YOU COYOTES CAN EITHER VAMOOSE--OR SLAP LEATHER!
WE--WE AINT LOOKIN' TUH KILL NOBODY, MISTER! WE'S JUST WHOOPIN' IT UP SOME!
THAT'S RIGHT, MISTER! WE AINT GOT NO QUARREL WITH YOU! SO WHY DON'T YUH JUST LEAVE US BE?
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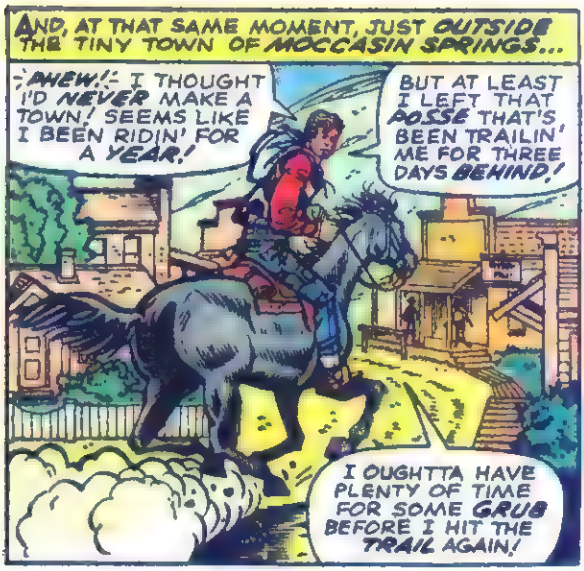
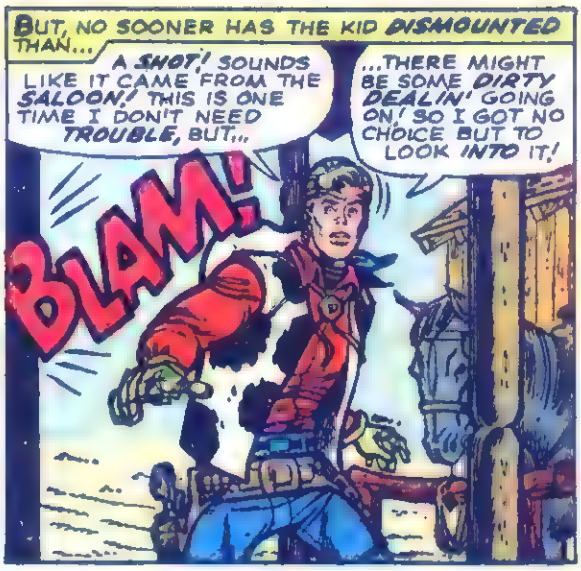

AND, AT THAT SAME MOMENT, JUST OUTSIDE THE TINY TOWN OF MOCCASIN SPRINGS...
:AHEW!: I THOUGHT I'D NEVER MAKE A TOWN! SEEMS LIKE I BEEN RIDIN' FOR A YEAR!
BUT AT LEAST I LEFT THAT POSSE THAT'S BEEN TRAILIN' ME FOR THREE DAYS BEHIND!
I OUGHTTA HAVE PLENTY OF TIME FOR SOME GRUB BEFORE I HIT THE TRAIL AGAIN!


BUT, NO SOONER HAS THE KID DISMOUNTED THAN...
A SHOT! SOUNDS LIKE IT CAME FROM THE SALOON! THIS IS ONE TIME I DON'T NEED TROUBLE, BUT...
...THERE MIGHT BE SOME DIRTY DEALIN' GOING ON! SO I GOT NO CHOICE BUT TO LOOK INTO IT!
BLAM!

THEN, AS THE KID BURSTS INTO THE SALOON...
WHAT'S GOIN'...THAT MAN'S DEAD!
DROP THAT IRON, MISTER--TILL I FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED!

YOU STAY OUTTA THIS, FELLA! I ONLY DID WHAT I HAD TO DO--BUT IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS ANYWAY!
ANYTIME SOMEBODY GETS SHOT--I MAKE IT MY BUSI...:UUNNHAH!:
CLIP!
MAYBE THAT'LL TEACH YOU DIFFERENT!

NOT QUITE! I BEEN HIT A LOT HARDER BY A LOT TOUGHER HOMBRES THAN YOU!
WHAP!
:OOOOFFFF!:

POW!
THIS OUGHTTA SHOW YOU THAT WHEN YOU HIT KID COLT YOU'D BETTER MAKE SURE HE STAYS DOWN!

NOW DO YOU AIM TO START TALKIN'--OR DO YOU WANT SOME MORE?
NO! I'LL TALK! THESE TWO VARMINTS WERE SHOOTING UP THE SALOON! ONE OF 'EM DREW ON ME! I SHOT HIM IN SELF-DEFENSE!
HE'S A ROTTEN LIAR, KID! CLEM NEVER HURT A SAND CRAB! THIS SIDEWINDER SHOT 'IM DOWN IN COLD BLOOD!
AND I AIM TUH SEE THAT HE PAYS FOR IT!
I THINK YOU'D BETTER LET A JURY DECIDE THAT, MISTER! SUPPOSIN' WE CALL THE SHERIFF!
HAR! THAT'S A RICH'N! THERE AINT NO LAWMAN IN THIS TOWN! AINT NEVER EVEN NEEDED ONE BEFORE!
AND YOU DON'T NEED ONE NOW! I SHOT TO DEFEND MYSELF--AND I HAVE WITNESSES TO PROVE IT!
I HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO KILL THAT DRUNKEN GALOOT--ISN'T THAT SO, BARTENDER!
WELL... ERRR, YEAH! THAT'S JUST HOW IT WUZ! CLEM DREW ON THE STRANGER--AND THAT'S A FACT!
MUCH OBLIGED! AND NOW THAT EVERYTHING'S TAKEN CARE OF--I'LL BE MOVING ON!
THEN, AS THE STRANGER WALKS SLOWLY OUT THE DOOR...
IT JUST AINT RIGHT, MISTER --LETTIN' MY BROTHER'S KILLER WALK OFF FREE!
YOU JUST MIGHT HAVE SOMETHIN THERE, AMIGO--BUT THERE'S NOT MUCH WE CAN DO ABOUT IT!
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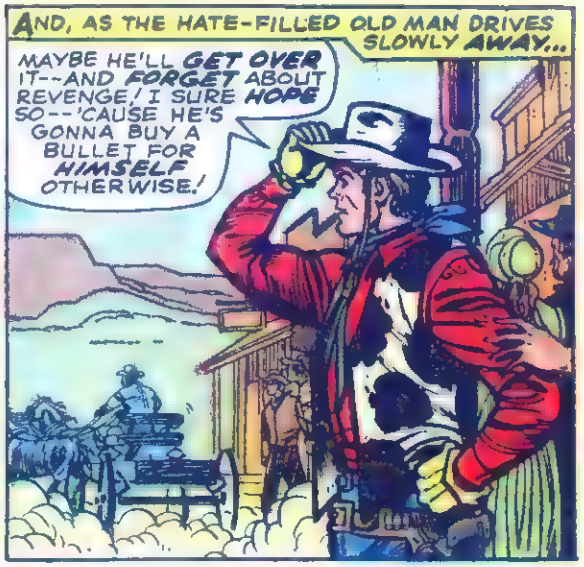
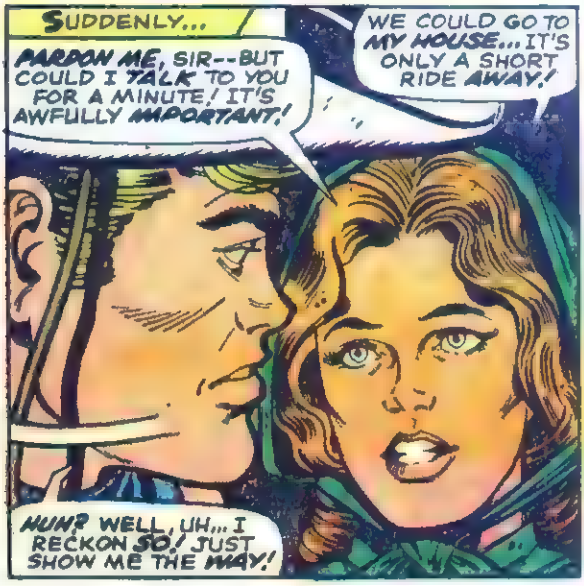
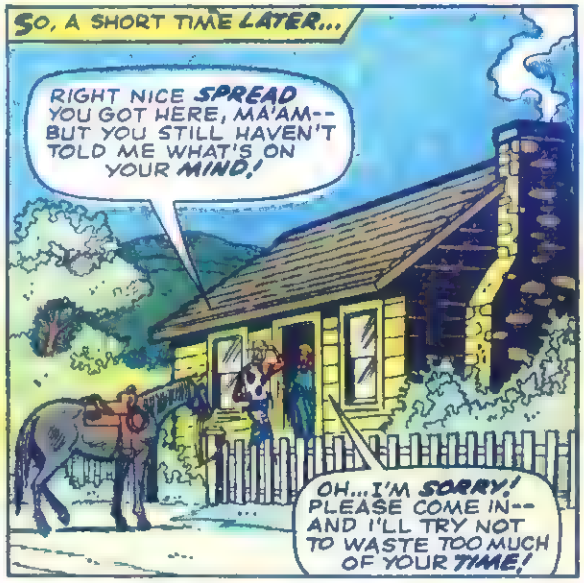
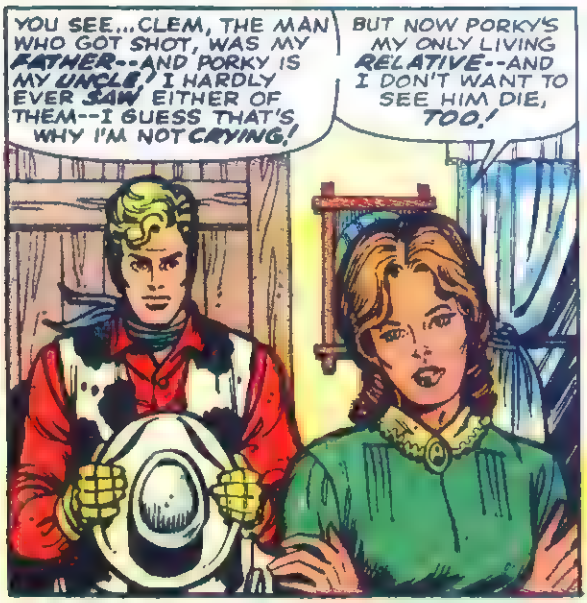
THEN, SEVERAL MINUTES LATER, AS THE KID HELPS THE BROKEN-HEARTED OLD MINER LOAD A BODY ONTO HIS WAGON...
I KNOW IT HURTS, PORKY--BUT DEATH'S SOMETHIN' YOU JUST GOTTA LEARN TO LIVE WITH! LOOKIN' FOR REVENGE WON'T BRING CLEM BACK!
I'LL NEVER REST TILL I GUN THAT STINKIN' PIG DOWN!


AND, AS THE HATE-FILLED OLD MAN DRIVES SLOWLY AWAY...
MAYBE HE'LL GET OVER IT--AND FORGET ABOUT REVENGE! I SURE HOPE SO--'CAUSE HE'S GONNA BUY A BULLET FOR HIMSELF OTHERWISE!


SUDDENLY...
PARDON ME, SIR--BUT COULD I TALK TO YOU FOR A MINUTE! IT'S AWFULLY IMPORTANT!
WE COULD GO TO MY HOUSE... IT'S ONLY A SHORT RIDE AWAY!
HUH? WELL, UH... I RECKON SO! JUST SHOW ME THE WAY!


SO, A SHORT TIME LATER...
RIGHT NICE SPREAD YOU GOT HERE, MA'AM--BUT YOU STILL HAVEN'T TOLD ME WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND!
OH... I'M SORRY! PLEASE COME IN--AND I'LL TRY NOT TO WASTE TOO MUCH OF YOUR TIME!


YOU SEE... CLEM, THE MAN WHO GOT SHOT, WAS MY FATHER--AND PORKY IS MY UNCLE! I HARDLY EVER SAW EITHER OF THEM--I GUESS THAT'S WHY I'M NOT CRYING!
BUT NOW PORKY'S MY ONLY LIVING RELATIVE--AND I DON'T WANT TO SEE HIM DIE, TOO!

THAT STRANGER IS A HIRED KILLER--AND UNCLE PORKY WON'T HAVE A CHANCE AGAINST HIM! THAT'S WHY I WANT YOU TO... PROTECT MY UNCLE!
WELL, I'M REALLY KIND'A SHY ON TIME--BUT I WILL SEE WHAT I CAN DO!

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THE GIRL SAID THAT STRANGER'S A KILLER WHO HANGS OUT HERE IN THE SALOON! SO THERE'S A PRETTY GOOD CHANCE HE'LL BE BACK!
AND I ALSO FIGURE THIS IS WHERE PORKY'LL COME LOOKIN' FOR HIM!
I RECKON ALL I GOTTA DO NOW IS WAIT... AND HOPE THAT POSSE ISN'T STILL TRAILIN' ME!
HOWEVER, THE KID'S WAIT IS NOT DESTINED TO BE A LONG ONE...
I'M IN LUCK! HE DID STICK AROUND TOWN! NOW I HAVE TO KEEP MY ELEMENT OF SURPRISE... SO I CAN NAB HIM BEFORE HE GETS A CHANCE TO DRAW!
MISTER--I'D LIKE TO BUY YOU A DRINK! I ACTED KIND OF NASTY IN BELTING YOU THIS MORNING --AND I'D LIKE TO MAKE IT UP TO YOU!
THAT SOUNDS FAIR TO ME, HOMBRE! I NEVER WAS ONE TO HOLD A GRUDGE!
BUT, AS THE STRANGER DRAWS WITHIN A FEW FEET OF THE KID...
THE GAME'S OVER, KID COLT! I'M A FEDERAL MARSHAL --AND YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!
YUH KNOW I'M RIGHT SORRY TO HEAR THAT, MARSHAL--'CAUSE I GOT NO INTENTION OF GOING TO JAIL FOR A CRIME I DIDN'T COMMIT!
WHA... MY GUN!
DON'T THINK THAT'LL STOP ME, COLT!
HE'S GOIN' FOR HIS IRON! I DIDN'T KICK IT FAR ENOUGH! CAN'T SHOOT A LAWMAN, THOUGH! ONLY ONE THING TO DO!
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THEN, IN A LIGHTNING-FAST INSTANT, THE KID MAKES HIS MOVE...
MADE IT! SORRY ABOUT SLUGGING YOU AGAIN, MARSHAL--BUT YOU DON'T LEAVE ME MUCH CHOICE!
BAM!
BUKI
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE--BOTH'A YUH!
AND, SUDDENLY, THE TWO OPPONENTS FIND THEMSELVES STARING INTO THE HATE-FILLED EYES OF...
PORKY! YOU BETTER STAY OUTTA THIS! THE MAN YOU'RE AFTER IS A MARSHAL!
DON'T MATTER! HE KILLED MUH BROTHER--AND NOW I'M GONNA KILL HIM!
BUT, AS THE HALF-CRAZED OLD MAN GOES FOR HIS GUN...
COLT! WHAT'RE YOU DOING? YOU'LL GET YOURSELF... UUNNNHHH!
BAM!
GET OUTTA MY WAY, YUH ORNERY SIDE-WINDER!
NOTHIN' DOIN', PORKY! I JUST SAVED YOUR HIDE FROM A DATE WITH THE HANGMAN!
AND NOW I'M GONNA MAKE SURE YOU GET SOME SENSE INTO YOUR HEAD--BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!
YEEEOOWWW!
WHAP!
MAYBE YOUR LIFE ISN'T WORTH ANYTHING TO YOU--BUT YOUR NIECE FEELS DIFFERENT ABOUT IT!

THEN, AS PORKY SLUMPS TO THE FLOOR...
FATHER! OH, FATHER! THEY'VE KILLED YOU!
FATHER? I THOUGHT HE WAS YOUR UNCLE! AND... HE'S NOT DEAD! I JUST PUT HIM TO SLEEP FOR A SPELL!
THEN, HE'LL BE ALL RIGHT? OH, DAD--WHY DID YOU DO IT? UNCLE CLEM WASN'T WORTH THIS! HE ALWAYS WAS A NO-GOOD!
I...I LIED TO YOU, MR. COLT! BUT I WAS ALWAYS ASHAMED OF DAD --AND THE WAY HE AND UNCLE CLEM LIVED!
BUT, WHEN I SAW HIM LYING HERE-- AND THOUGHT HE WAS DEAD, I REALIZED HOW WRONG I'VE BEEN-- AND HOW MUCH I LOVE HIM!
AND I'M SORRY I TOLD YOU THE MARSHAL WAS A GUNNIE! I KNEW BETTER--BUT I JUST HAD TO SAVE DAD'S LIFE SOMEHOW--EVEN IF HE GOES TO PRISON! AT LEAST HE'LL BE ALIVE!
I'LL TAKE ALL THAT INTO ACCOUNT, MA'AM--BUT I STILL HAVE TO TAKE YOUR FATHER IN! HE COMMITTED A CRIME-- AND HE'LL HAVE TO PAY!
BUT, FOR YOUR SAKE--I'LL DO WHAT I CAN TO MAKE THE JUDGE GO LIGHT ON HIM!
AS FOR YOU, COLT-- YOU SAVED MY LIFE, AND I'M GRATEFUL!
BUT YOU'RE STILL A WANTED OUTLAW-- AND I FIGHT ON THE OTHER SIDE!
AND THAT MEANS YOU'D BETTER RIDE OUT OF HERE --PRONTO, BEFORE I CHANGE MY MIND ABOUT LETTIN' YOU GO!
I'LL DO JUST THAT, MARSHAL! HASTA LA VISTA!
AND SO, MINUTES LATER, THE KID LEAVES ANOTHER CHAPTER OF HIS LIFE BEHIND--A LIFE FILLED WITH GRIEF AND HARDSHIPS-- THE LIFE OF A HUNTED MAN!
BUT, ALTHOUGH A FUGITIVE LIKE KID COLT CAN NEVER BE CERTAIN WHAT WAITS FOR HIM AROUND THE NEXT BEND--YOU CAN BE SURE THAT IT WILL SPELL ACTION IN OUR NEXT ISSUE! DON'T DARE MISS IT, RANNY!
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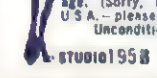

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ITEM! We won't keep you in suspense a second longer! Here it is — our very next title of Marveldom for you to memorize and cherish fore'er! But first, let's once again summarize the first three we bestowed upon you. We started with RFO (Real Frantic One), to be used by those who buy three or more Marvel mags a month. Then, we added QNS (Quite 'Nuff Sayer), munificent moniker for those gifted ones who've had one or more letters published within the confines of our imperishable letters pages. Last ish we revealed to a breathlessly waiting world that TTB (Titanic True Believer), was the long-sought-after cognomen for anyone who has ever won a practically priceless No-Prize! And now — prepare thyself for the fabulous fourth rank of Marveldom Assembled — three letters which are destined to shake the literary world to its very core — three letters which shall soon be part and parcel of eternal Americana — three letters which, for sheer drama and stark simplicity have no possible peer — in short, the lustrous letters KOF (Keeper of the Flame), to be claimed with pride by any Marvel madman, anywhere in the free world, who successfully recruits a new disciple into the riotous ranks of Marveldom! Now, whilst you bow your head in silent reverie, we shall take this occasion to reveal next month's three letters — P.M.M. — the highest rank of all — whose deep, dramatic meaning shall be revealed to thee on this page next ish! And now, on to other matters, before we become too emotional —

ITEM! Here's another in our continuing series of newsworthy tidbits which you can very easily live without. Didja know that our mixed-up Marvel mags are actually reprinted in eight different languages thruout the globe? And as soon as we learn how to translate into cosmic Kree (in-joke for FF and Capt. Marvel buffs!), we'll be making that NINE languages!

ITEM: Oh, speaking of our worldwide Marvel beachheads, we wanna explain something that's been bothering our brain-blasting British boosters. Those of you who've been following our yarns in the famous publications printed by England's Odham's Press have been worried that they'll be replacing our own tintinnabulatin' titles. Well, perish the thought, Precious One! The Odham's weeklies are simply REPRINTING our older classics (and doing a great job of it, too!) — but all the newest maniacal masterpieces we turn out will be on sale in Great Britain, same as ever, just as fast as we can ship 'em over! There now — is there anybody we haven't confused?

ITEM: We recently received a letter which we thought might interest you — so, here 'tis:

> Dear Stan,
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> Operation Mailcall Viet Nam is a service by the American Government which gives people a chance to write to members of the American Armed Forces who are overseas. It's a chance to let them know that they're not alone — and that someone's thinking of them. It's a great service, and I believe that many other Marvel Madmen would be glad to correspond with someone overseas. In my first letter I just told a bit about myself as an introduction — my age, hobbies, etc. The letters should be in unsealed, unstamped envelopes and placed within another sealed, stamped envelope which is addressed to OPERATION MAILCALL VIET NAM, BOX 2602, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013.
>
> Yours truly,
> Bill Reed, Craiglee Dr.
> Scarborough, Ontario, Canada

Many thanks for the info, Billy — and we're passing it along as you suggested. We also want to mention one additional fact. Many of our politically aware readers have divergent opinions about the Viet Nam war — as do the Bullpeners themselves. This notice is not intended as an endorsement on our part of any specific policy regarding the war. We simply feel that many American boys have been sent into battle far from home — and anything we can do to make 'em feel that they're not forgotten is surely a worthwhile deed which transcends mere politics. 'Nuff said?

STAN'S SOAPBOX!

You've probably already noticed the way we've changed our cover mastheads on ASTONISH, SUSPENSE, and STRANGE TALES... featuring the name of each alternate character in turn, every other month. But that's only the beginning! 1968 will go down in comicdom history as the year of the big changes in the wonderful world of Marvel! We've got new titles that will soon be taking you by storm — and new features that'll make you realize the ol' House of Ideas is more daring than ever! In fact, we have one new mag now on the drawing board that's so dramatically different in concept, we confidently predict it will actually usher in the SECOND Marvel Age of Comics — an era even greater, even more glorious than ever before! So stay with us, fellow stalwarts — the best is just ahead! Remember — every wondrous winner has your name on it, and we kid thee not! Anyway, whatever you do — wherever you go — THINK MARVEL! It only hurts when you laugh!

THE MIGHTY MARVEL CHECKLIST

Marvel-ous Mags On Sale Right Now!

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FANTASTIC FOUR #72: Wouldja believe — the Silver Surfer? Wouldja believe — another action-packed epic featuring the battle of the century? Wouldja believe — the Watcher? Well, you better believe it! This is the big one!

SPIDER-MAN #58: Jonah Jameson finally puts an end to Spidey's career — and his life, as well! Or, so he thinks! It's called "To Kill A Spider-Man!" It features one of the most deadly foes of all! And it's not to be missed!

AVENGERS #49: Magneto at the United Nations? Wanda and Pietro reverting to evil mutants? And the mighty Avengers battling against their old comrades? The answer is yes on all counts — and adventuredom will never be the same again!

X-MEN #41: How do you fight a super-powered foe whose one overwhelming desire is to destroy the entire earth — and himself along with it? That's what our marvelous mutants must find out, and fast, when they battle the one and only . . . Grotesk!

DAREDEVIL #37: Sometimes a story's so great that there's no satisfactory way to describe it! All we can say about this one is — DD battles Dr. Doom like a man possessed — and you'll gape at the most frightening last page you've ever thrilled to! Howzat?

CAPTAIN MARVEL, starring in MARVEL SUPER-HEROES #13: A new weapon . . . a new life . . . and a mind-staggering menace that threatens to be not only Captain Marvel's first challenge — but also his last! For, at long last — the Sentry lives again!

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SUSPENSE #99: Whiplash! The Maggia! Jasper Sitwell! And . . . what's his name? Oh yeah, Iron Man, too! The biggest star-studded action-epic since "Gone With The Wind!" As for our star-spangled Avenger, together with the Black Panther, Cap finds himself pitted against Zemo, the fiend who cannot exist!

ASTONISH #101: Possibly the greatest Hulk tale you've ever read! See what happens when the giant rampager finds himself in Asgard, pitted against the might of the immortals themselves! Meanwhile, Subby battles for his life against a startling new super-villain near the site of the original Atlantis! This one's a blockbuster!

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SGT. FURY #51: The Howlers crash land behind enemy lines — but that's not about to stop them from rescuing one of the most vitally important men in the free world! Oh, and guess who's with 'em? None other than Happy Sam Sawyer himself! Wah-Hooo!

CAPTAIN SAVAGE #1: The power-packed premiere of a pulse-pounding new battle-mag bombshell — in the great SGT. FURY tradition! It's destined to become a contemporary combat classic!

MARVEL COLLECTORS' ITEM CLASSICS #13: What would you do if you suddenly spotted a Marvel mag with the FF, Iron Man, the Hulk, Dr. Strange, and the Watcher, all in one ish? Snap it up, natch!

MARVEL TALES #13: Spidey, Thor, Giant-Man, and — latch onto your seat belts — from out of the glorious golden age . . . Marvel Boy, one of the most dramatically different super heroes ever! The House of Ideas has done it again!

Let's meet 26 more M.M.M.S. members!

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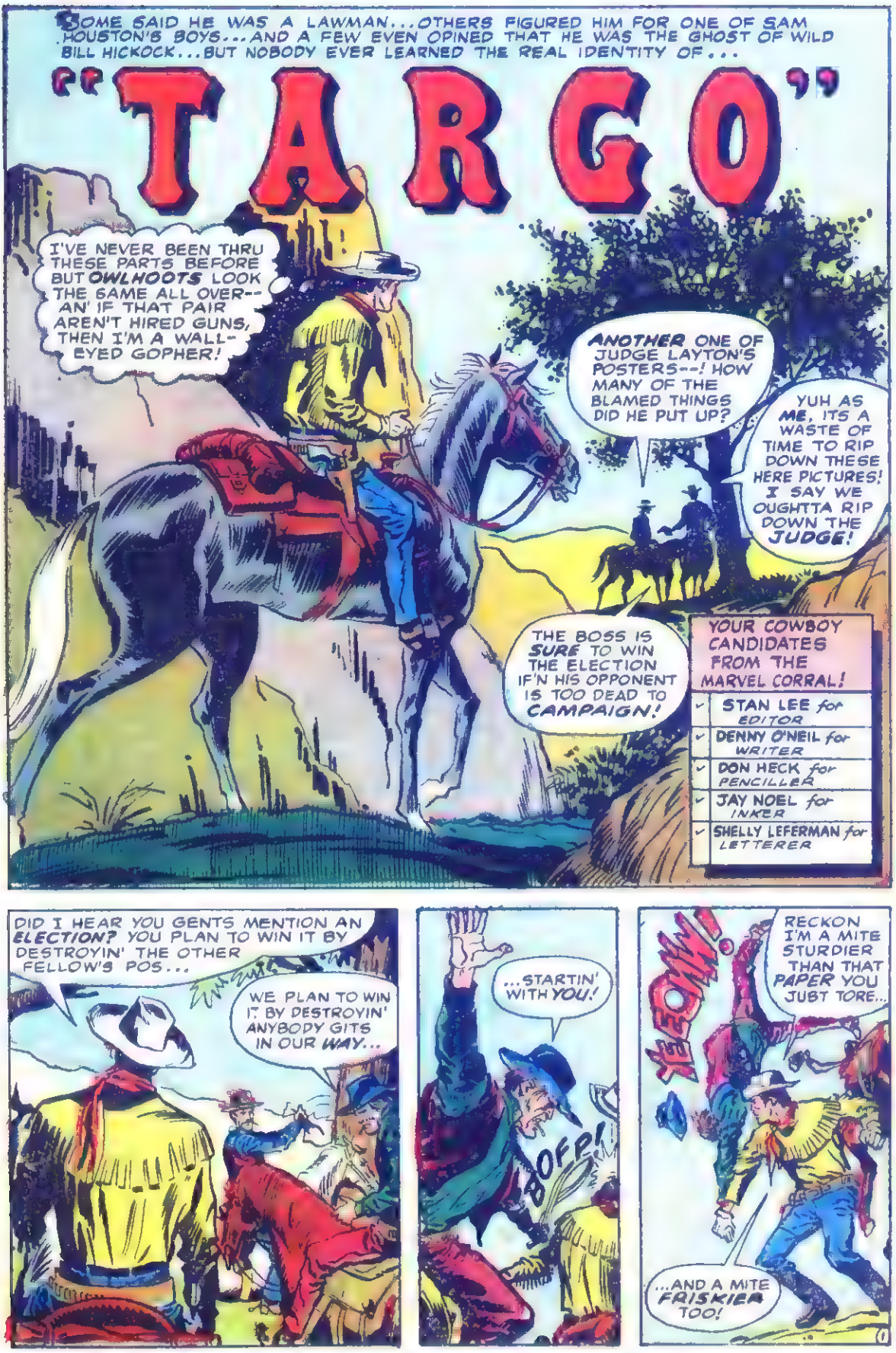
SOME SAID HE WAS A LAWMAN...OTHERS FIGURED HIM FOR ONE OF SAM HOUSTON'S BOYS...AND A FEW EVEN OPINED THAT HE WAS THE GHOST OF WILD BILL HICKOCK...BUT NOBODY EVER LEARNED THE REAL IDENTITY OF...
"TARGO"
I'VE NEVER BEEN THRU THESE PARTS BEFORE BUT OWLHOOTS LOOK THE SAME ALL OVER--AN' IF THAT PAIR AREN'T HIRED GUNS, THEN I'M A WALL-EYED GOPHER!
ANOTHER ONE OF JUDGE LAYTON'S POSTERS--! HOW MANY OF THE BLAMED THINGS DID HE PUT UP?
YUH AS ME, ITS A WASTE OF TIME TO RIP DOWN THESE HERE PICTURES! I SAY WE OUGHTTA RIP DOWN THE JUDGE!
THE BOSS IS SURE TO WIN THE ELECTION IF'N HIS OPPONENT IS TOO DEAD TO CAMPAIGN!
YOUR COWBOY CANDIDATES FROM THE MARVEL CORRAL!
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DID I HEAR YOU GENTS MENTION AN ELECTION? YOU PLAN TO WIN IT BY DESTROYIN' THE OTHER FELLOW'S POS...
WE PLAN TO WIN IT BY DESTROYIN' ANYBODY GITS IN OUR WAY...
...STARTIN' WITH YOU!
BOFF!
RECKON I'M A MITE STURDIER THAN THAT PAPER YOU JUST TORE...
...AND A MITE FRISKIER TOO!

THE WAY YOU RANNIES FIGHT, YOU'D BEST STICK TO PAPER ENEMIES...
...CAUSE AGAINST A MAN YOU'RE PLUMB POOR!
UNGH!
THUD
I'LL LEARN YUH TO MIND YORE OWN BUSINESS--
OOMPH!
BRIEF SECONDS LATER, THE BRAWL IS ENDED!
RECKON I'LL JUST TAKE THAT GLASS-JAWED HARDCASE'S ADVICE AND MIND MY OWN BUSINESS! ON THE FRONTIER, FREE ELECTIONS ARE EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS!
THEN, IN THE BOOMING TOWN OF ROYAL VALLEY...
EVERYWHERE I LOOK I SEE FEAR! THESE FOLKS ARE SCARED DOWN TO THE BONE!
THE ONLY SIGN OF NORMAL LIFE IS DOWN AT THE END OF THE STREET--! LOOKS LIKE SOME KIND OF RALLY!
WE MUST NOT ALLOW OURSELVES TO BE COWED BY BLACKIE'S GUNMEN! ONLY LAW AND ORDER CAN MAKE THIS A DECENT PLACE TO LIVE...
AND WHEN I'M ELECTED, I PLEDGE...
YUH AIN'T GONNA BE 'LECTED, JUDGE!
BEFORE THE STARTLED SPEAKER CAN ACT, A LARIAT SNAKES AROUND HIS WRISTS...
YORE GOIN' FER A LITTLE RIDE...
UNNNH!
...BUT YOU PROB'LY AIN'T GONNA ENJOY IT MUCH!
CAN'T NOBODY STOP HIM?
NOT WITHOUT CATCHIN' A BULLET!
THAT'S ONLY A MILD TASTE OF WHUT'LL HAPPEN LESS N YORE OUTTA TOWN BY SUNDOWN!
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THEN, AN ANGRY, COMMANDING VOICE CUTS SHORT THE GUNMAN'S THREAT--!
BACK AWAY FROM THE OLD MAN, POLECATS--REAL SLOW!
WHO THE DEVIL ARE YOU, STRANGER AN' WHUT'S YORE GAME?
CALL ME TARGO! AND RIGHT NOW, MY GAME IS CLEAN POLITICS!
POLITICKIN' IS SOMETHIN' WE PLAY WITH LEAD 'ROUND HERE! SLAP LEATHER... AAOW!
MUH ARM!
BLAM!
BLAM!
A BLUR OF MOTION, FOLLOWED BY TWO WELL-PLACED SHOTS, AND IN A HEARTBEAT, THE STRANGER WINS HIS SECOND BATTLE THIS FATEFUL DAY!
MOMENTS LATER...
FATHER... FATHER! ARE YOU BADLY HURT--?
EASY, MA'M! I'LL CARRY HIM TO THE DOCTOR'S!
I DON'T NEED... DOCTOR! JUST GET ME TO MY OFFICE!
AND, LATER STILL...
I GATHER SOMEBODY'S ANXIOUS TO STOP YOU FROM BECOMING MAYOR!
IT'S BLACKIE BILLIS-- THE FILTHY, MURDERING SCUM...
BILLIS IS BEHIND EVERY THEFT AND KILLING IN ROYAL VALLEY! AND I'VE SWORN TO RUN HIM AND HIS OUTLAW PACK OUT OF THE TERRITORY!
RECKON I'LL PAY MR. BILLIS A CALL!
AND PAY IT HE DOES, FOR THAT NIGHT, AT BILLIS' HOTEL...
THAT THERE'S TARGO, BOSS--THE RANNY WHUT CAUSED US ALL THE TROUBLE!
MOSEY 'ROUND BEHIND HIM, WHILE I GIT HIS ATTENTION!
IF I WAS YOU, STRANGER, I'D SKEDADDLE OUTTA HERE PRONTO!
NOT TILL I MEET THE HOMBRE I CAME TO SEE, FRIEND!
AN' WHO MIGHT THAT BE? IF YORE LOOKIN' FOR BLACKIE BILLIS, YUH FOUND HIM!
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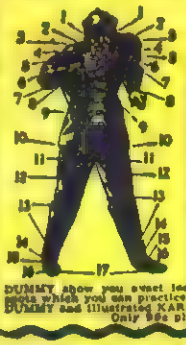

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LEMME BUY YUH SOME WET FER YORE WHISTLE!
I'D RATHER PALAVER ABOUT THE ELECTION--AND ABOUT HOW YOU'RE TRYIN' TO SPOOK THE JUDGE!
I DUNNO WHUT YORE TALKIN' 'BOUT, MISTER!
THEN YOU'D BETTER LISTEN REAL CAREFUL WHILE I EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENS TO HARDCASES WHO INTERFERE...
I HEARD ENOUGH! GIT 'IM, JAKE!
WITH PURE PLEASURE, BOSS!
WHAK!
THAT ATTACK FROM BEHIND SETTLES ANY DOUBTS I HAD ABOUT BILLIS...
...HE'S EVERYTHING THE JUDGE SAID HE IS!
UMMPG!
CRUMP
DON'T STAND THERE LIKE FENCE POSTS--HELP JAKE!
AS LONG AS THERE'RE MEN LIKE BILLIS, THE WEST WILL BE A SAVAGE LAND--A WILDERNESS UNFIT FOR CIVILIZATION!
BOO
WHUMP
OHHH!
YOU'RE THROUGH, BILLIS--FINISHED! THE COUNTRY HAS NO ROOM FOR YOUR KIND ANYMORE!
I AIN'T GONNA ARGUE, STRANGER--YUH WIN!
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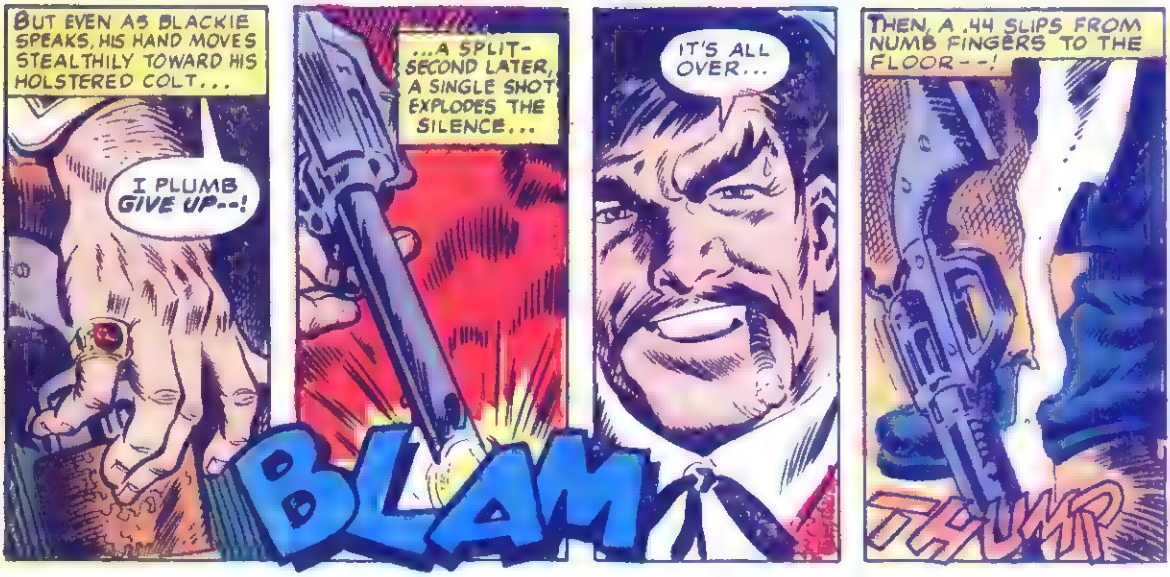
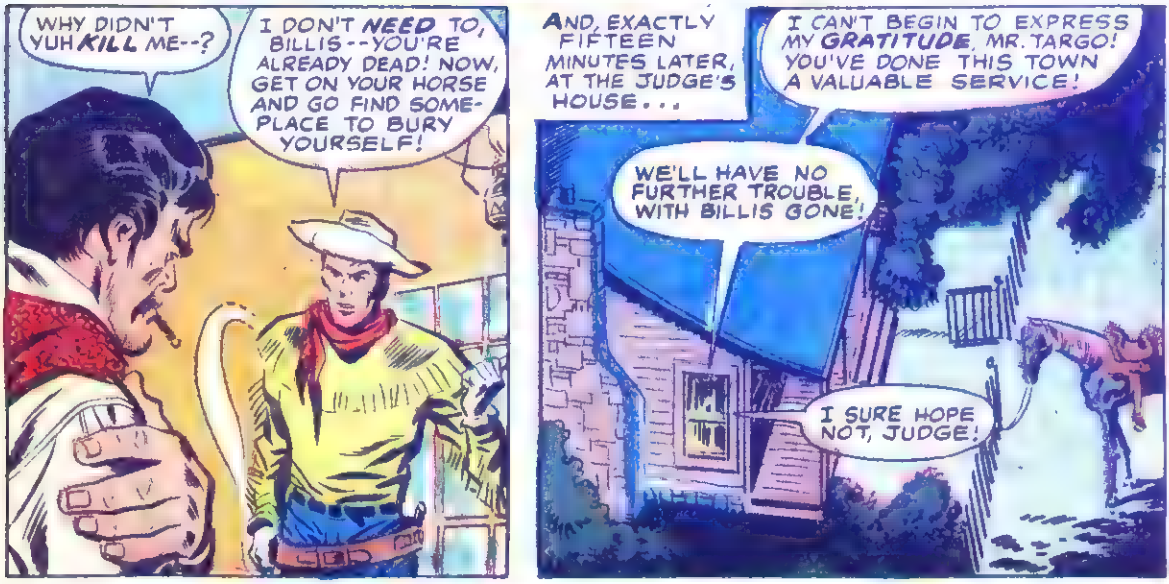
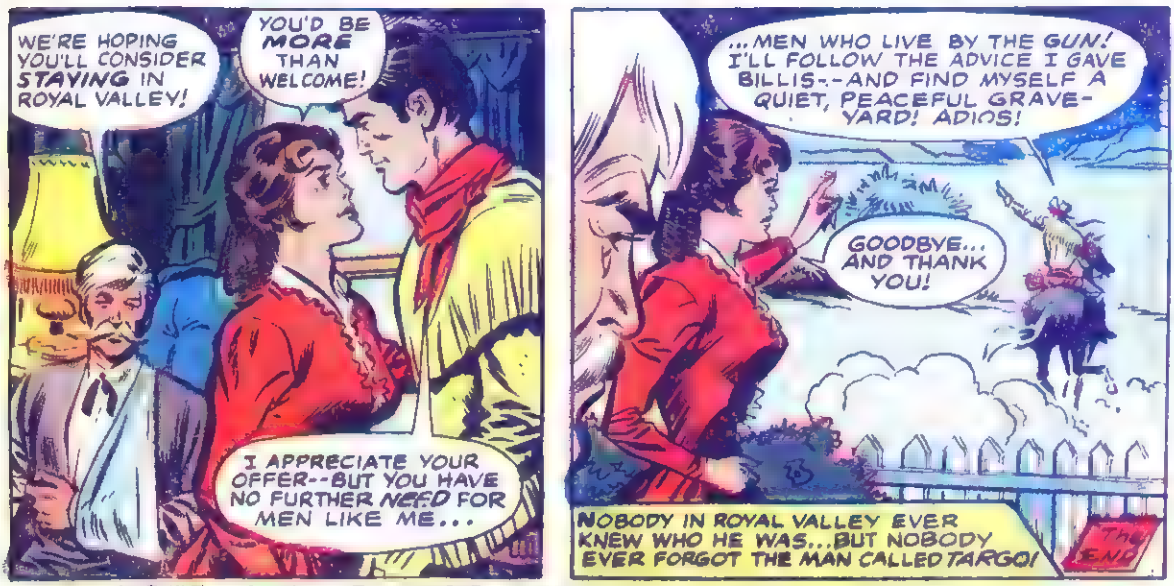

BUT EVEN AS BLACKIE SPEAKS, HIS HAND MOVES STEALTHILY TOWARD HIS HOLSTERED COLT...
I PLUMB GIVE UP--!
...A SPLIT-SECOND LATER, A SINGLE SHOT EXPLODES THE SILENCE...
BLAM
IT'S ALL OVER...
THEN, A .44 SLIPS FROM NUMB FINGERS TO THE FLOOR--!
THUMP


WHY DIDN'T YUH KILL ME--?
I DON'T NEED TO, BILLIS--YOU'RE ALREADY DEAD! NOW, GET ON YOUR HORSE AND GO FIND SOME-PLACE TO BURY YOURSELF!
AND, EXACTLY FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER, AT THE JUDGE'S HOUSE...
I CAN'T BEGIN TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE, MR. TARGO! YOU'VE DONE THIS TOWN A VALUABLE SERVICE!
WE'LL HAVE NO FURTHER TROUBLE, WITH BILLIS GONE!
I SURE HOPE NOT, JUDGE!


WE'RE HOPING YOU'LL CONSIDER STAYING IN ROYAL VALLEY!
YOU'D BE MORE THAN WELCOME!
I APPRECIATE YOUR OFFER--BUT YOU HAVE NO FURTHER NEED FOR MEN LIKE ME...
...MEN WHO LIVE BY THE GUN! I'LL FOLLOW THE ADVICE I GAVE BILLIS--AND FIND MYSELF A QUIET, PEACEFUL GRAVE-YARD! ADIOS!
GOODBYE... AND THANK YOU!
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Dear Stan:

The main reason I love reading KID COLT is that the stories are written just as I imagine things really happened in the Old West. I hope you'll keep up the good work.

Michael Roach, Taylor's Land
Barbadoes, W. I.

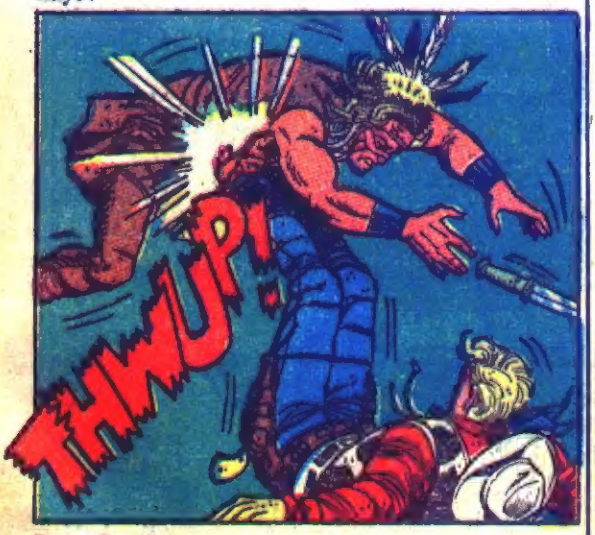
Like we've said before (and, being long-winded hombres, we'll probably say *again*) — we just tell 'em like they were!

Dear Stan:

Since Rawhide, Kid Colt, and Two-Gun are all drifters, why not have them drift into San Fransico and get shanghied? I've asked many Marvelites about this and they think it would be a good idea.

Scott Kourian, 12 Robinson Rd.
Lexington, Mass.

***We* reckon it would too, Scotty! In fact, it's durn near the best idea we've heard this year! Gary's *already* kickin' around plot ideas, so don't be surprised if one of our hard-riding rannies shows up in the Bay City one of these days!**



Dear Stan:

Hey, you hombres up on the hot seat of Marvel comicdom, when are you gonna send your comics over to us loveable Scots? We find it hard to keep track of what's going on, so see what can be done, huh?

William Love, 65 Dobbies Road
Bonnyrigg, Midlothian, Scotland

We shore will, Billy! And just to bring you up to date while we get things movin', we're sendin' you the latest Kid Colt tale with our compliments!

Dear Stan:

I found one boo-boo in KID COLT #136. In the letters section, the very first answer you wrote was: "Anyway, thanks a heap for the kind words about Kid Cold . . ." I didn't know there was a Kid Cold. Unless I'm mistaken, that's supposed to be Kid *Colt!* But anyway, keep up the good work.

Mark Bloom, USN Field Station
Wales, Alaska

***Sure* there's a Kid *Cold*, amigo — cousin of Sagebrush Irving Forbush's, who works up in your territory, where 'bout *every*thing's cold . . . Aww, what's the use? You got us dead to rights, but you gotta admit that at least it's a *small* boo-boo!**

That brings us to the end of the trail for this month, amigos! But there'll be a new one next ish, plain loaded with the kind of blazing, brawling action you expect from America's top-gun western hero! Till then . . . Adios!

-Kid Colt

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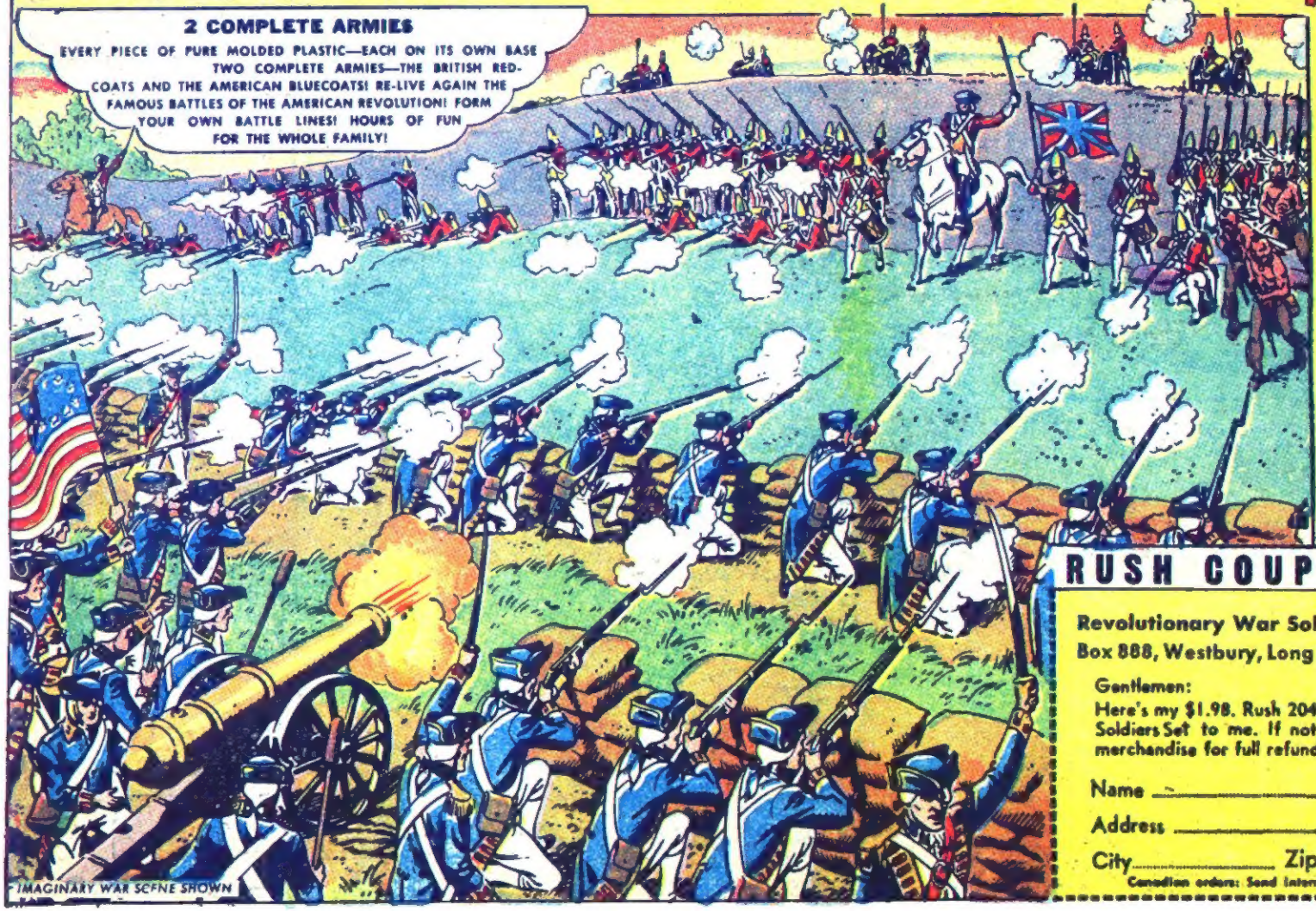

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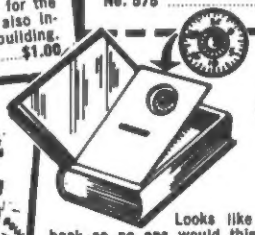

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